

Introduced by: Councilmember Clay

First Reading: July 24, 2006

Second Reading: July 31, 2006

Effective Date: September 1, 2006

CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND

ORDINANCE NO. 2006-32

DESIGNATION OF A RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREA FOR THE 6700 BLOCK OF PRINCE GEORGE'S AVENUE; THE 6700 BLOCK OF CONWAY AVENUE; THE 400 AND 500 BLOCKS OF BELFORD PLACE; THE 6800 BLOCK OF BELFORD DRIVE; AND 6800, 6802, 6804, AND 6806 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVENUE

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Administrative Regulation No. 99-1 (by authority of *Takoma Park Code*, Title 13, Vehicles and Traffic, Section 13.20.030, Parking Permit Areas) residents of the 6700 Block of Prince George's Avenue; the 6700 Block of Conway Avenue; the 400 and 500 Blocks of Belford Place; the 6800 Block of Belford Drive; and 6800, 6802, 6804, and 6806 New Hampshire Avenue, have petitioned the Council requesting that their blocks be designated as part of a residential permit parking area; and

WHEREAS, the petition was certified by the City Clerk as meeting the required percentage (at least 66%) of signatures from households in the subject area; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the certified petition, the petitioners are required to provide evidence to substantiate at least one factor (other than the desire of the residents in the area, demonstrated by signatures on the petition) being used in the evaluation process; and

WHEREAS, petitioners provided statements expressing concerns about the inadequacy of available on street parking for residents; and

WHEREAS, the request was discussed and approved at the June 22, 2006 meeting of the South of Sligo Citizens Association; and

WHEREAS, after proper notification, the City Council conducted a public hearing on Monday, July 17, 2006, to receive citizen comments on the request; and

WHEREAS, petitioners indicated that finding on-street parking in their neighborhood is especially difficult in the evening and on weekends; and

WHEREAS, based on residents' testimony, the Council desires to enlarge the hours of the residential permit parking restrictions to include weekends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND, THAT:

SECTION 1. The 6700 Block of Prince George's Avenue; the 6700 Block of Conway Avenue; the 400 and 500 Blocks of Belford Place; the 6800 Block of Belford Drive; and 6800, 6802, 6804, and 6806 New Hampshire Avenue in the City of Takoma Park are hereby established as Residential Permit Parking Area 5.

SECTION 2. The days and hours for the "parking by permit only" restrictions in Residential Permit Parking Area 5 shall be from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. seven days a week.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall become effective on September 1, 2006.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Takoma Park this 31st day of July, 2006 by roll-call vote as follows:

Aye: Porter, Austin-Lane, Barry, Clay, Seamens, Williams
Nay:
Absent: Elrich
Abstain: